TOPEKA, KANSAS, FEBRUARY 4, 1907.

MONDAY EVENING.

TWO CENTS.

Thaw's Attorneys Indicate the Line of Defense

After Establishing the Facts of the Shooting.

First Session.

MOTHER AND WIFE OUT

All Witnesses Excluded Except One on the Stand.

Cross Examination Is Conducted by Attorney Delmas.

New York, Feb. 4.-The case of the people against Harry K. Thaw, charged testify to the prisoner's eccentricities with the murder of Stanford White, as a youth. with the murder of Stanford White, was presented to the jury today in less than two hours and this afternoon Attorney John B. Gleason made the optorney John B. Gleason made the

cluded from the room. It became known for the first time that Mrs. William Thaw, the prisoner's mother, will take the stand in his behalf and will probably tell some of the escapades of his youth.

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The woman hesitated for a moment, The woman hesitated for a moment, then arose and left, followed by Mrs. Harry Thaw and May McKenzie.

Thaw flushed a vivid red as Mr. Garvan, in a foud voice, called the name of the first witness, the 19-year-old son of the dead architect. As the youth stepned to the witness chair.

youth stepped to the witness chair. That cast his eyes upon the table and did not lift them during the brief examination of the young man.

The other witnesses for the prosecution were eye-witnesses to the tragedy and added little to what is already familiar to the public. familiar to the public

The Trial Opens. New York, Feb. 4.—There was a delay in resuming the Thaw trial owing to the formalities attending the postpraing of the February term of court which was scheduled to begin probably saved your life."

The regular panel of 100 February jurors, added to the last requested some one to telephone George of the special jurors in the Thaw case, some 125 in number, crowded the court room to overflowing. Thaw's trial having been begun in the January term, that term will hold until the Case is disposed of.

During the wait rumors continued the was not cross examined.

Handwriting Expert Appears.

to circulate as to the possibility of two

desk.
Thaw appeared a trifle flushed as he

took his place at the end of the table assigned his counsel.

Back of him sat his mother, Mrs. William Thaw, his sister, Mrs. Carnegie, Evelyn Nesbit Thaw and May

Myer Cohen, a song writer and manager of the house which published the music of "Mam'selle Champagne," was called as the third witness for the state.

Mr. Cohen was on the Madison Square roof sarden the night of the

ing the Countess of Yarmouth.

All the witnesses for the prosecution were in court this morning. They comprised only the eye witnesses of the tragedy on the Madison Square roof garden. Some witnesses said to have been summoned by the defense were also in court, although the most of those who are to testify for Thaw have not concerned.

have not appeared. Garvan Opens the Case,

Whatever pressure the district at-torney brought to bear on Thaw's at-torneys for the release of additional torneys for the release of additio the last conference on the subject held at Justice Fitzgerald's desk, Assistant District Attorney Garvan quietly and in a very low tone, began the opening address for the prosecution and the

famous case was on.

Mr. Garvan spoke only 10 minutes.

He congratulated the jurors on their
body having been completed and then outlined the purpose of the law, which was not seeking for vengoance but to uphold the security of the state. urged the importance of the case and a strict observance of the law in order that a verdict fair to all might be re-It was the claim of the ple, he said, that on the night of June 25, 1905, the defendant, "shot and killed with premeditation and intent to kill," one Stanford White. He then briefly outlined the movements of Mr. White, beginning with Saturday preceding the tragedy and ending with the scene of the shooting on the Madi-son Square roof garden. Mr. Garvan told how Stanford

Mr. Garvan told how Stanford White had on June 25 last taken his son Lawrence, and a schoolmate of the latter to dinner at the Cafe Martin. The boys had bought tickets to the New York theater roof garden and declined an invitation of Stanford White to accompany him to the Madi-

write to accompany nim to the Madison Square roof garden.
"Stanford White," said Mr. Garvan.
"went to the Madison Square roof garden and sat alone at one of the small tables there, watching the first production of a play called 'Mam'seile Champagne."

defendant was there with his wife and two friends. Truxton Beale White and and Thomas McCaleb. The defendant gan firing. walked constantly about the place. In the middle of the second act the de-

fendant's party started to leave the roof. The defendant let his party go ahead and he lagged behind. Passing the table where Stanford White was sitting, this defendant wheeled suddenly, faced Mr. White and deliberate-ly shot him through the brain, the bullet entering the eye. Mr. White

Fired Three Shots. "The defendant did not know this

THE CASE IS OPENED.

State Rests Its Case at End of

First Session.

"The defendant did not know this. He feared he had not completed his work and he fired again, the bullet penetrating White's cheek. Still to make sure, he fired a third time.

"Mr. White, or rather the body of Mr. White, umbied to the floor.

"The defendant turned and, facing the audience, held his revolver aloof with the barrel upside down to indicate that he had completed what he intended to do. The big audience understood. There was no panic." derstood. There was no panic."

Mr. Garvan concluded by giving the details of Thaw's arrest and indict-

ent by the prosecution. Mr. Garvan spoke less than 10 min utes, always in a conversational tone. Thaw sat with head downcast and face

As Mr. Garvan took his seat, District Attorney Jerome sprung a surprise by asking the court to exclude all witnesses in the case except the experts. By doing this, Mr. Jerome at one blow, disclosed the fact that Mrs. William Thaw and Mrs. Harry Thaw are both to take the stand for the defense. On advice of Thaw's counsel they left the room with all the other witnesses. May McKenzie was included in the list and accompanied Mrs. Harry Thaw into the court clerk's office. Mrs. William Thaw, who does not expect to take the stand for several days, returned to her hotel. Thaw's mother is expected to

The second witness was Warner Paxton, the engineer of Madison Square garden. He was an eye witness of the shooting and the arrest of Thaw. He said that when he reached Thaw's side he had been detained by a fireman and an employe of the garden, who asked him to hold Thaw while they searched

They were then in front of an elevaor where then in front of an elevaor. Why can't we go now?"

Paxton said he replied that it was

ood idea and they started down. "We went into the elevator," the witness continued, "and Thaw admitted that he did it, saying 'he ruined my wife."

A woman whom he thought was Thaw's wife replied to this: "But look at the fix you are in now," and Thaw replied to her: "Well, dearie, I have probably saved your life."

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When the February juvors had been dismissed and Justice Fitzgerald had taken the bench there at once began a conference of attorneys at the judge's what will be shown by Mr. Carvalho would be made by Thaw's counsel.

Myer Cohen, a song writer and man-

Mr. Cohen was on the Madison the defeat of the Stone anti-pass bill Square roof garden the night of the and my primary election law. If those Edward and Josiah Thaw also were present, the only family absentee being the Countess of Yarmouth.

Square foot garden the hight of the first time during the initial act of the musical comedy. Cohen described on a musical comedy. Cohen described on a diagram the position of the table at which White sat. When asked by Mr. Garvan to indicate Thaw's manner of approaching the architect that evening, the witness left the stand and walking up and down before the jury box, he illustrated the slow pace which he de-clared characterized Thaw's delibera-

tion in approaching his victim. 'He walked up to Mr. White's table like this," said the witness, indicating. and state affairs will be just "He made a slight detour, and coming up to Mr. White from behind, suddenly

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Mr. Delmas' participation in the case to him:

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without blunting the effect on the jury with accumulative testimony.

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After the first act he next saw Thaw
just previous to the shooting. White
was seated, facing the stage, his head
leaning on his right hand. There was no conversation when Thaw approached White and the former immediately be-

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Final Struggle Between Railroads and the People Is On.

Centers in Two Measures Before the Legislature.

BATTLE A HARD ONE.

Powerful Lobby Has Been on the Ground.

Stone Bill and Stubbs Primary Law Points of Attack.

The railroad influence in politics has been, it will generally be conceded, the factor which has prevented justice to the people in transportation problems. The sentiment of Kansas that has been so widely expressed in the election of the members of the present legislature, through the newspapers and over the state generally, is the sentiment that the railroads so far as possible must into be prevented from exercising the inyears has enabled them to dominate legislation

The measure which has been prominently before the house during the last week, and considered favorably in both the house committee of the whole and

with the murder of Stanford White, was presented to the jury today in less than two hours and this afternoon Attorney John B. Gleason made the opening address for the defense in which he declared unequivocally that the defense would rely upon the claim that Thaw, when the murder was committed was irresponsible because he was victim of emotional insanity.

Assistant District Attorney Francis P. Garvan occupied less than ten minutes in narrating in a conversational tone the events on the night of the tragedy. He did not go beyond the occurrences immediately preceding the shooting. Mr. Garvan declared that Thaw's act was deliberate, premeditated, intentional murder.

District Attorney Jerome secured from the court, with the consent of Thaw's counsel, an order that all witnesses except experts, should be excluded from the room. It became known for the first time that Mrs. William Thaw, the prisoner's mother.

The prisoner's seemed greatly down the mother is at the exclusion of his mother day with exclusion of his mother and wife. His only relatives left in the room were his brothers and his the normal time country which when the example country is the prosecution gave the court room another surprise when Lawrence white, the son of the dead architect, was called as the first witness. Thaw as called as the first witness. Thaw as called as the first witness. Thaw as the highly gratifying and satisfactory privately proceeding the work of a country is the highly gratifying and satisfactory elituation as presented by the past when he left him to go with his chum, as boy named king, to the New York the said have a said that the example of a cual legislation there will be rejoicing and satisfaction over the entire state.

Next in mortane in the country of the line of preventing nefarious railroad political influences in probably the primary law, as the last time he saw how in the senate country of the line of preventing the proportion of the said when he left him to go with his chum, as the proportion and others for purely a primary law is to put the nomina-tion for all offices in the hands of the people themselves and not in the hands of professional politicians to whom the railroads look for their wire pulling. With a real anti-pass law, and a real primary law in action, by reason of this legislature, there will be real and genuine satisfaction on the part of Kansas toward its legislature of 1907.

There are no lengths to which the railroad lobbyists will not go to defeat the anti-pass law and the primary elec-

One prominent state politician said "I venture to say that this fight today: has cost the railroads upwards of \$250. 000 in transportation and cash. Much of this was sont before election in helping to secure the election of the 'right men' to the legislature."

The past week has been one of many midnight conferences at the Copeland, some of them lasting till far toward

The Elks' club is also a favorite place for making converts, and for the super-lative degree, the member has been steered to what some call "The Rail-road Club," otherwise known as the Topeka club.

There is no evidence of members bemore jurors being removed before District Attorney Jerome would be willing to have the case proceed.

David N. Carvalho, the handwriting so many favors at the hands of the railroads that they are quite generally recognized as a part of the railroad lob-

sion.

"All the efforts of railroad attorneys and railroad lobbyists are centered in the defeat of the Stone anti-pass bill two bills become laws without material amendment, it means that the fight is won, for I feel confident that all the rest of the proposed laws regulating railroads, such as the maximum freight law, and the amendments in the rail-road law will be enacted without much difficulty. Right here is where the big fight is going to take place, and if the battle is won, it means that thousands of dollars will be saved to the taxpayers of Kansas every year, and that the day of railroad influence in political over.

"On the other hand, if the rallroads The witness did not take part in the events which immediately followed the shooting.

Delphin M. Delmas, of counsel for the people in their strife with the rail-

Delphin M. Delmas, of counsel for the defense, made his first entrance into the activities of the trial by cross-examining Cohen briefly as to the position he occupied with reference to the principals in the tragedy. These were the only questions put to the witness by the defense.

During the examination of the witness which should be attained."

nesses who followed Stanford White's son on the stand, the defendant took a lively interest in all that was said. He looked at the witnesses intently and from time to time made notes of their of last week, and was overheard to say of last week, and was overheard to say

Mr. Delmas' participation in the case was productive of a new interest in the proceedings. His questions on cross-examination were clear cut and comprehensive. When he secured the answer he wanted to a question, he would cut his examination short right there, without blunting the effect on the jury with accumulative testimony.

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The trouble will come on the primary law, when the senate cuts the bill to pieces with amendments, and the speaker of the house appoints his conference committee. Speaker Simmons is against the primary law, and will likely pick out a committee which will accept any amendments proposed by the senate.

It is likely that the fight over the primary election law will be consider-ably drawn out. The three bills under home in this city, at the age of 60.

consideration are long and complicated. Creech's bill fills 22 printed pages. Stubbs' bill is 36 pages in length. Holdren's is 60 pages.

The Creech bill merely provides that primaries shall be held to elect delegates to county conventions and for the selection of precinct committeemen. This is such a diluted form of primary law that the railroads have figured that anybody would be willing to swallow it.

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The Holdren bill is a very comprehensive and elaborate system for the election of delegates to county, state, senatorial and congressional conventions, coupled with a chance for people to vote at the came time, directly for the various candidates. This direct vote is supposed to give the delegates their "hunch" but they are not obliged to vote for the man getting the most votes, except under the following conditions provided in the bili:

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that any candidate of any party for
the nomination for any state, congressional, or senatorial office has received
a plurality of all the votes cast for
candidates for nomination for such
office in any delegate district, such
candidate shall have cast for him the
votes of all the delegates from such
delegate district to the convention bedelegate district to the convention before which he is a candidate-for at
least the first ballot."

Moore, son of James H. Moore, of
Diamond Match and Rock Island railroad fame, rose from, his juvurious

dates for county, state, congressional. \$7,000 "skidoo" dinner he gave to ten legislative, senatorial and other officers, including the United States

The favors at the dinner were gold senatorship, may have their names placed on the ballot by simply filing a petition with the secretary of state signed by a specified per cent of the voters in whatever district the candidate may be running. The Stubbs bill has the advantage of being decidedly "It was just a jolly little affair that easy to understand,

The present status of these two most

The Stone anti-pass bill, which abso lutely prohibits the issuance of passes except to a limited class of legitimate users, was reported adversely by a ma-jority of the house railroad committee, but a good husky minority went on rec-ord for it, and the house sustained the minority, and in committee of the whole recommended the Stone bill for passage. The vote was \$4 to 54. This was not on roll call, and it probably represented the very maximum of the railroad strength. Sluce then the anti-pass bill has been buried under the head of "general orders" and it can not be lifted from that pit without a sus-pension of rules, which requires a twothirds vote. Two efforts to advance the bill have been made, and both have failed. Each time the friends of the bill showed a good safe majority, but

not two-thirds.

When the bill is reached in the reg ular order, it will be given its third reading, and will probably pass, though the railroads, who want to give passes, and the sheriffs and others who want to get them, are making a big fight on it. The friends of the bill figure that a good many votes will come to them on roll call which it cannot get on a standing or viva voce vote. This isc the "rab-bit" portlor of the house, which favors

railroads in secret, and votes the other way in order to kep its record clear In the serate, the anti-pass bill has gen favorably reported by the railroad committee

The primary election laws are a spec The primary election laws are a special order for 2 o'clock Tuesday afternoon in the house. The Stubbs bill is the one which was favorably reported by the committee on elections.

SEVEN CASES AT WICHITA.

Interstate Commerce Commissioner Prouty Begins Hearings Today.

Wichita, Kan., Feb. 4 .- Taking of

testimony by th before C commission before Commissioner Prouty was begun here at 11 o'clock this morning in the case of D. W. Durham, of St. Joseph, Mo., against the Illinois Central railroad. A viola-W. R. Stubbs, the author of the primary election bill which bears his name, declares that the present crisis is the most crucial of the entire session. He said:

The fillinois Central failload: A violation of the long and short haul clause in the railway freight rate law is charged in the petition for a hearing.

Seven rate cases will be heard by Commissioner Prouty in this city. Following the Durham case the commissioner will take in the three cases. missioner will take up the three cases filed by the Johnston-Larimer Dry Goods company of this city. All the railroads doing business in Kansas and some of their connecting lines are mentioned in the petition. The wholesple dry goods company alleges the sale dry goods company alleges the railroads make discriminating rates from certain manufacturing points in Texas to Wichita and other jobbing points. Judge A. E. Helm of this city,

stenographers came to Wichlta from Chester, Patrick J. Brennan of Wash-Oklahoma City, Okla.

In the hearing of the Durham case Maine, Patrick T. Walsh of Davenport,

In the hearing of the Durham case waybills of two carloads of machinery shipped from Lockland, Ky., to Fredonia, Kan., were submitted. General Manager Cameron, of the Illinois Central took the witness stand and gave figures relative to rates between the two points, which he said were influenced by water traffic between Louisville, Ky., and East St. Louis, On this testimony the case was submitted without briefs.

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In the Johnston-Larimer Wholesale Dry Goods company cases, it was shown the rate from Texas points on cotton goods was \$1.16 when the cases were filed and that it has since been reduced to 96 cents by the Santa Fe and Rock Island. In another case by the same company it was shown by the plainting that the rate from New York to East St. Louis was lower on knit goods than from East St. Louis to Wichita, the first being 64 cents and the latter 96 cents.

first being by tents.

Cents.

O. P. Taylor, president of the Johnston-Larimer company was the first witness. Answering a question asked by Commissioner Prouty, the witness said his company could handle Texas goods if a 50 cent rate could be had. Mr. Taylor was on the stand when the noon recess was taken.

## HUGH PENTECOST DEAD

He Was Minister, Lawyer, Educator and a Free Thinker,

Son of One of the Rock Island's Owners Celebrates.

Makes Merry Over Arrival of His 23rd Birthday.

IT COST HIM \$7,000.

Had Just Received \$750,000 From His Father.

road fame, rose from his luxurious The Stubbs primary is simple because it dispenses entirely with the convention. It provides that candi-

The favors at the dinner were gold

"It was just a jolly little affair that we went into in cold blood," said Mr Moore. "We went in for a good time important bills, upon which the grand test of strength will be made, is as folemphatically on his brow-"we had it. I've just had \$7,000 worth of sleepand that is just a trifle more than the

racket cost me.' The former Chicagoan pressed his hands over his eyes so as not to see the awed look on the reporter's face. Then

he continued: "Thursday I met Maurice Fargo and

Sam Bernard. Sam said: "'You're 23 today; give a skidoo party. "So we called in some theatricat men—ten of them—and ten of Joe Weber's girls. I won't tell you any Weber's girls. I won't tell you any names except Eva Francis. She's a good fellow.

"After dinner, when the fun became "After dinner, when the fun became strong, Sam yelled: 'Skidoo the table,' and we all grabbed it and carried it out. Then we sanded the floor, called in the orchestra and had a sand dance. We became so noisy the proprietor of the restaurant told us to caim down, so we adjourned to Churchill's. I sort of lost track of things after that. I don't know how the others came out:

on't know how the others came out; haven't seen them since." After imparting this intelligence, roung Mr. Moore sank down exhaust-

After imparting this intelligence, young Mr. Moore sank down exhausted on a settee.

According to other reports, the adjourned overflow meeting at Churchill's didn't break up until 5 o'clock in the morning.

Mr. Moore was accompanied by his wife, who was Miss Helen Fargo before an automobile collision threw the two together. They were married in the ruins of St. Thomas' church, November 8, 1965.

Young Mr. Moore's expensive dinner, which, according to some reports, cost £20,000, is said to have marked his coming into \$750,000 from his father. Some years ago the Moore brothers—James H. and William—were suppossedly ruined. Their manipulations in Diamond Match and Rock Island made them tremendously wealthy in a short time.

Young "Nat" Moore has shown less fondness for financial coups than for putting money in circulation along Broadway. It is said he likes to carry an orchestra with him to while away the time.

# TO DIG THE CANAL.

The Panama Construction Company Files a Charter.

Albany, N. Y., Feb. 4 .- The Panama Construction company, incorporated to finance the Panama contract bid for by William J. Oliver, of Knoxville, Tenn. filed articles of incorporation today with the secretary of state. The capital authorized is \$5,000,000; the company will begin business with \$1.-

who appears as counsel for the plaintiffs, will exhibit a map of the United States drawn on a large scale and which has jobbing points, the rate to each and the distances done in heavy red lines.

Commissioner Prouty and his two Charles H. Ackert, Robert A. C. Smith, William H. Sayre, George F. Harriman, all of New York city; William J. Oliver of Knoxville, Tenn. Charles H. Ackert, Robert A.

### Ta., and Robert Russell of Lynchburg. Va. Each of the directors subscribes for 5,000 shares of the capital stock. FOR WOMAN SUFFRAGE.

Report of Commission to Revise Constitution of Holland.

The Hague, Feb. 4.—In its report just issued the state commission appointed to revise the constitution of Holland recommended the exclusion from succession to the throne of children born after the abdication of the sovereign, and authorization for the states general to provide for the succession or after it in case of emergency.

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The commission also proposes to make the approval of the states general essential for the conclusion of treaties; recommends proportional representation and eligibility of women for election to the states general; that the qualifications of candidates be the same in the case of both chambers and that the first chamber be granted the right to amend as well as approve or reject bills except in the case of the budget.

New York, Feb. 4.—Hugh Owen Pentecost, minister, lawyer and educator, socialist in politics, free thinker in religion, died Saturday night at his home in this city, at the age of 60.

Kansas City, Mo., Feb. 4.—Madame Schumann-Heink, the contraito, who arrived here Saturday night to give a concert in Convention hall, is indisposed. It was stated today that the singer's manager had cancelled all her western engagements and she would immediately start for her home in the East.

### THREE FOUND DEAD.

Mrs. Frank Smeck and Two Children With Throats Cut.

Ottawa, Kan., Feb. 4.—The bodies of Mrs. Frank Smeck and her two children, a boy aged 7, and a girl, aged 3, were found with their throats cut in the home of Mrs. Smeck at Centropolis, a village 12 miles northwest of here today. The body of the mother was in bed, while those of the children were on the floor. on the floor.

It is not known whether it is a case

of murder and suicide or of triple mur-der. Mr. Smeck has not been at home for several months and is believed to be somewhere in the west.

Many Lives Reported Lost in a Burlington Wreck.

Denver, Col., Feb. 4 .- A special to he Post from Sheridan, Wyo., says: Westbound Burlington passenger train No. 41 from Omaha to Billings, until at noon it was a few degrees above Mont., went through the bridge over the Cheyenne river at Edgemont, S. D., today. Fire broke out in the wreckage and it is reported many lives were lost. No particulars are obtainable here.

### THEY'LL SEE ABOUT IT.

Profiles for Fourth Ward Sewer Will Be Inspected.

The city council does not want to run up against the boat load of trouble which was unloaded on it in the contract for the Fifth ward sewer in the contract for the extension of the Fourth ward sewer, and this evening will make an examination of the profiles and specifications prior to signing the contract with M. W. Gilmore. The extension is a small contract—not exceeding \$1,200—and is, in fact, a stub added to the present sewer in the fourth precinct of the Fourth ward, running north of Fourth street to First street and draining the portion of the city from Fillmore street to Taylor.

The award of the contract was made to M. W. Gilmore previous to the investigation which was precipitated in connection with the Fifth ward sewer scandal. The contract papers have never been signed up because the mayor did not want to sign the papers until the money was ready to be set aside for this purpose in the city treasury.

The money is now available and the contract is ready to be signed this evening. However, Gilmore has stated that the specifications provide that the severation which the city treasury.

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The mayor stated this morning that the council would have to examine the pro-lies carefully along with the specifica-tions before he would sign the contract. Weather conditions are such that the

Aside from this the most important piece of business to come before the council this evening will be the East Sixth viaduct matter. Since the contract was altered from the original as presented to the council by the Missouri Pacific, Santa Fe and street railway companies by the council the three companies have indicated that they will withdraw their support unless the city agrees to maintain the viaduct perpetually.

The council is divided on this proposition. Some of them are in favor of altering the contract ordinance back to its original form, while others think that the city can not afford to agree to perpetual maintenance, and that the city better go ahead and build the viaduct entirely at its own expense

### its own expense BAD FIRE AT SYRACUSE.

The company's principal office will be in New York City. The directors Western Kansas Town Seriously Damaged Sunday Night.

> syracuse, Kan., Feb. 4.—Fire broke out in the freight house of the A., T. & S. F. depot at this place last night at 6:30, destroying the depot, Harvey eating house and buildings on the east side of Main street for 200 feet, taking with it the First National bank. Dougherty Drug company's stock, W.
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> Washington, Feb. 4.—Mrs. Allos with it the First National bank. Dougherty Drug company's stock, W. H. Rosenberry's grocery stock and building J. W. Shirley's barber shop. Ray Jackson's real estate office, Grishom & Scott, groceries, McKeever & Co., drugs, McNeely & Doolittle, billiard hall. There were four cars destroyed by the fire which were standing near the depot. The fire spread so rapidly that it was impossible to get anything out of the depot, making a total loss. Most of the buildings and stocks were insured. Loss estimated at \$80,000.
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> PACKERS PULL OUT.
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> Washington, Feb. 4.—Mrs, Alice Roosevelt Longworth of Ohio and daughter of the president, is ill at her home in this city with what is stated to be a slight attack of grippe. The some time at the Longworth home Sunday and were very much concerning a total loss. Most of the buildings and stocks were insured. Loss estimated at \$80,000.
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SCHUMANN-HEINK ILL.

She has Been Compelled to Cancel A:

Western Engagements.

Little Rock. Ark. Feb. 4.—Certificates train of 16 cars to Chicago Saturday. There were six cattle men in the party, Cattle are commanding the highest is the highest is the highest since 1852—seven cents, Judgment was recently entered against the Hammond Packing company for \$10,000 because of the alleged violation of the Arkansas anti-trust law and bring home a few touring cars as souvenirs.

Two Cent Fare Bill Passed.

Jefferson City, Mo., Feb. 4.—The house today passed the bill reducing passenger rates.

New York, Feb. 4.—Caleb Underhill, a fireman, was killed and four
others injured during a fire that destroyed the Mead building in White
Plains last night. Underhill was
crushed by a falling cornice. The
financial loss by the fire aggregated

Mercury Reaches Lowest Point in Two Years.

Registered Two Degrees Minus This Morning.

LIGHT FALL OF SNOW.

Delayed the Street Car Traffic for a Time.

THROUGH A BRIDGE Promise Is That It Will B. Warmer.

> For the first time since February 12, 1905, the thermometer went below the zero mark last night. The coldest point reached was two degrees below this morning, which occurred at 6 o'clock. Since that time it gradually warmed up

zero. The mercury began to descend Saturday noon and since that time until this morning it was still on the downward path. However, the barometer has changed and now indicates warmer

changed and now indicates warmer weather.

Yesterday was characterized by a snowstorm which kept up incessantly all day and which did not cease until about supper time. This time the snow rather slipped in on the weather men as they had not been looking for it and no forecast which was iasued for Kansas included any reference to snow.

For a while yesterday noon it looked as though there would be blockade for the street car service as in several places the wind caused the snow to drift across the tracks. The East Sixth street line had a great difficulty in gelting their cars running but by the middle of the afternoon all the cars wers running on good time.

places and ranges from that point up to 10 degrees above. Trains No. 2 and 6 were reported on time at La Junta this morning and should pass through Topeks on time

this afternoon.

The Rock Island lines report conditions about the same as on the Santa Fe, except that trains are delayed slightly in the western part of Kansas. The weather during the warmed up a few degrees morning a heavy snow fell which somewhat impeded street car traffic and necessitated a liberal use of the sweepers in order to keep all the lines open. The precipitation resulting from the snow which fell today amounts to .03 of an inch. The wind is twelve miles an hour from the

is twelve miles an hour from the north. Snow and warmer is the fore-cast for tomorrow. The following are the temperatures 7 o'clock..... 1 11 o'clock...... 8 o'clock..... 2 12 o'clock..... 9 o'clock..... 2 1 o'clock...... 10 o'clock...... 4 2 o'clock.....

### CRONE TRIAL BEGINS.

Defendant Is Charged With Killing

His Sweetheart Last July.

Kansas City, Mo., Feb. 4 .- Albert Crone, aged 19, a stock yards employe was placed on trial here today for t murder of Bertha Bolin, his form sweetheart. Miss Bolin and Fra Kern were found unconscious on Ke sey Coates terrace, near the busine. district, on July 20 last, both unconscious from blows on the head in-flicted with a piece of gas pipe. The girl died of her injuries, but Kern recovered. The prosecution alleges that Crone attacked the couple and was prompted by jealousy, attempt to prove an alibi.

## Syracuse, Kan., Feb. 4.—Fire broke MRS. LONGWORTH ILL.

Train of Cattle for Chicago. Some of the stockfeeders in the vi-cinity of Wamego took a special cattle train of 16 cars to Chicago Saturday.

three cents a mile on independent lines less than 40 miles in length. It is considered practically certain that the bill will pass the senste.

Weather Indications.

Chicago, Feb. 4.—Forecast for Kan-sas: Snow; warmer tonight and Tues-